

# ARKANSAS

## BROILER HATCHERY

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### ARKANSAS CHICK PLACEMENTS DOWN 2 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

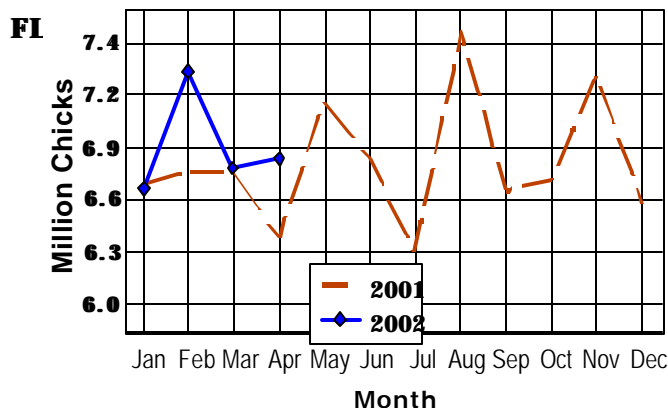
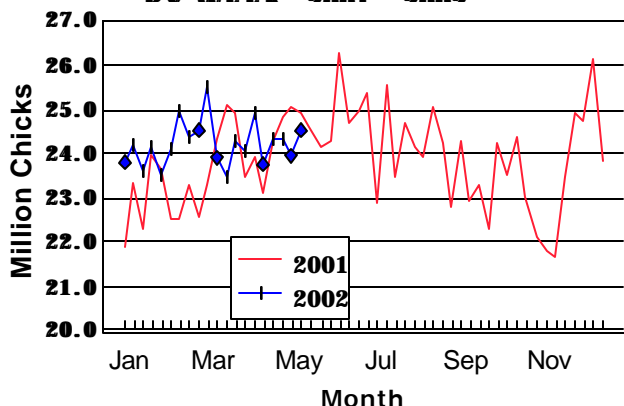
Broiler-type **chicks placed** for meat production in Arkansas was 24.5 million during the week ending May 18, 2002. Placements were down 2 percent from the comparable week in 2001, but 2 percent above the previous week, and included 2.8 million chicks shipped in from other states. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2001 through May 18, 2002 were 484.6 million, up 2 percent from the same period a year earlier.

The broiler-type **chicks hatched** for the week was 25.7 million, up 2 percent from the corresponding week a year earlier, and up 2 percent from the previous week. Of the total hatch, 3.5 million chicks were shipped out of the state. Average hatchability for chicks hatched was 83.8 percent.

Arkansas hatcheries **set** 31.1 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending May 18, 2002, up 2 percent from the same period last year, and the previous week.

Leading breeders in the **UNITED STATES** placed 6.8 million **broiler-type pullet chicks** for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during April 2002, up 7 percent from April 2001.

### ARKANSAS BROILER CHICK PLACEMENTS U.S. BROILER-TYPE PULLET CHICKS PLACED BY WEEK 2001 2002 FOR DOMESTIC HATCHERY SUPPLY



### NET PLACEMENTS IN ARKANSAS

Week Ending	Year		% Change
	2001	2002	
	1,000		
Apr.	23,908	24,951	104
Apr.	23,120	23,786	103
Apr.	24,291	24,331	100
May	24,824	24,356	98
May	25,067	23,986	96
May	24,954	24,545	98

### U.S. PULLET CHICKS PLACED

Month	Year		% Change
	2000-01	2001-02	
	1,000		
Nov.	7,105	7,261	102
Dec.	6,429	6,577	102
Jan.	6,685	6,660	100
Feb.	6,748	7,275	108
Mar.	6,752	6,775	100
Apr.	6,398	6,814	107

# **BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED IN 19 MAJOR STATES BY WEEKS, 2002**

EGGS SET (in Thousands)						CHICKS PLACED (in Thousands)						
STATE	Week Ending				1/ %	Week Ending						1/ %
	27-Apr	04-May	11-May	18-May		13-Apr	20-Apr	27-Apr	04-May	11-May	18-May	
Alabama	29,409 *	29,713 *	29,988	30,140	101	22,191	22,148	22,014	22,398 *	22,425	22,595	109
ARKANSAS	30,698	29,253	30,436	31,108	102	24,951	23,786	24,331	24,356	23,986	24,545	98
Delaware	3,583	3,624	3,625	3,736	102	4,734	4,886	5,072	5,287	6,096 *	4,473	95
Florida	2,390	2,400	2,418	2,403	100	2,303	2,591	2,428	2,377	2,160	2,302	96
Georgia	31,935 *	31,519 *	32,938	32,835	102	25,771 *	25,517	26,800	26,065 *	26,533 *	25,826	99
Kentucky	6,376 *	7,074 *	6,539 *	6,698	111	5,214	5,182	5,628 *	5,513 *	5,493 *	5,326	108
Maryland	9,803	10,060	10,054 *	10,053	102	5,944	6,477	6,225	6,176	5,399 *	6,407	97
Mississippi	18,157 *	19,020	19,115	19,212	100	15,423	16,057	16,111	16,013 *	15,569	15,169	100
N. Carolina	19,594 *	19,591	19,956	19,865	106	15,423	15,161	15,260	15,213	15,708 *	15,565	103
Oklahoma	6,478	6,411	6,063	6,745	106	4,778	4,642	5,489	3,444	5,395	4,500	94
Pennsylvania	3,856	3,890 *	3,609 *	3,813	100	2,627	2,591	2,856	2,773 *	2,777 *	2,768	104
S. Carolina	4,751	4,549	4,785	4,805	96	4,143	4,377	3,865	3,828	3,766	3,800	96
Texas	15,522 *	15,482 *	15,513	15,393	101	12,223 *	12,243 *	12,330 *	12,188 *	12,167	12,202	100
Virginia	6,503	6,588	6,450	6,561	96	5,376	5,180	5,249	5,186	5,211	5,585	111
CAL,MO,TN,WV	20,537	20,442 *	20,804 *	20,743	99	18,332	18,319	18,928	21,577 *	18,595 *	20,183	103
Total 2002	209,592 *	209,616 *	212,293 *	214,110		169,433 *	169,157 *	172,586 *	172,394 *	171,280 *	171,246	
Total 2001	207,599	208,126	210,727	210,697		167,985	166,671	170,301	169,232	169,409	168,987	
%PREV.YEAR	101	101	101	102		101	101	101	102	101	101	
APPROXIMATE MARKETING DATE 2002						01-Jun	08-Jun	15-Jun	22-Jun	29-Jun	06-Jul	

\* Revised . 1/ Current week as percent of the same week last year.

## **EGGS SET IN 19 SELECTED STATES UP 2 PERCENT**

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-state weekly program set 214 million eggs during the week ending May 18, 2002. This was up 2 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

## **BROILER CHICKS PLACED UP 1 PERCENT**

Broiler growers in the 19-state weekly program placed 171 million chicks for meat production during the week ending May 18, 2002. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week in 2001. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2001 through May 18, 2002 were 3.39 billion.

**The 15 State total was discontinued on May 15, 2002.**